SALE OF DRUG SHOPS FOR 1906-07.

Notice No. 2215, dated 21st March 1906.

1. Notice is hereby given that the exclusive privilege of selling intoxicating drugs in each of the shops specified in the schedule* hereto appended, for the twelve months beginning with 1st July 1906 and ending with 30th June 1907, will be put up to public auction by the respective Deputy Commissioners or by Assistant Commissioners specially authorized by the Deputy Commissioners for the purpose, at the respective taluk or sub-taluk head-quarters, on the dates specified in the annexed statement, subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth:

2. Each bidder at the auction will deposit a sum of Rs. 5, or such other reasonable amount as may be fixed by the officer conducting the sale, previous to bidding, provided that the Government may at any time dispense with such initial deposit. Each shop will be knocked down to the approved highest bidder, subject to formal confirmation by the Deputy Commissioner, who will be at liberty to accept or reject the bid at discretion without assigning reasons for the same. Such formal confirmation will, *unless revised by Government*, be tantamount to an acceptance of the bid. Parties intending to bid must attend either in person or by duly accredited agents. No shop shall be knocked down in the name of more than one person or of more than one company or firm duly represented. The selling officer shall refuse to register as purchaser any one in whose name the bidding has not proceeded.

3. As soon as the auction is completed, the deposits made by the unsuccessful bidders and not forfeited as hereinafter provided, will be returned to them. As the auction proceeds, the person whose bid is accepted for each shop shall at once deposit a sum equal to $\frac{1}{3}$ths of a month's rent for that shop. Should he fail to do so, the deposit made by him under para 2 will be forfeited, the shop will at once be put up again on the above conditions, and he will be debarred from bidding again for the same or for any other shop.

4. The persons to whom the shops have been knocked down, and who have made deposits as provided in paras 2 and 3, shall also be required to leave his address with the sale conducting officer in order that the confirmation of the sale may be communicated to that address by a notice, etc., and he shall, within 7 days, after the service of the said notice by its presentation to the purchaser or any adult male member in the place of the said address or by its being affixed thereto or by its forwarded duly registered by post, pay at the Taluk Treasury concerned such further sum as, with the first and second deposits, will make up an amount equal to two months' rent of each shop knocked down to them; and shall take out licenses and execute a counterpart engagement, in the prescribed forms, on the conditions hereinafter set forth. On the failure of any person to make the deposit or to take out license or to execute the ccunterpart engagement, as aforesaid, the shop will be re-sold at the risk of such person, or if the auction hereby notified has already been completed, will be otherwise disposed of at the discretion of the Deputy Commissioner. In the case of the purchaser's death after the confirmation of the sale, it will be binding on his heirs or assigns.

5. Re-sales effected under para 4 will be at the risk of the defaulting bidder, who will forfeit all gain; and in the event of a loss by re-sale or other disposal he will make good the deficiency between the total amount payable for the whole period under the terms of the original sale and the total amount payable by the successful bidder at the re-sale or other disposal. In the latter case, the forfeited deposit will be deducted from the loss arising from the re-sale and the remainder, if any, will be recovered from the bidder in the same manner as if it were an arrear of land revenue. Should, however, the forfeited deposit be greater than the loss by re-sale, the whole of such deposit will be credited to Government.

6. The license to be taken out under para 4 above, shall be subject to the following conditions, namely:—

(1) The amount for which the privilege has been purchased shall be payable into the Taluk Treasury on the prescribed challan in equal monthly instalments commencing from July 1906; each instalment shall be regarded as the rent for the month in respect of which it is payable.

* For Schedule see supplement to the *Mysore Gazette*, dated 5th April 1906.

Each month's rent shall be payable on or before the 20th of the same month on the challan prescribed for the purpose. If such amount be less than Rs. 12, it shall be paid up in not more than three quarterly instalments commencing from 1st July 1906. The deposit of two months' rent made by the licensee, will be taken in payment of the rents due for the last two months of the period of the license. Failing payment by the 20th of the same month or before the end of the quarter for which the instalment is due, the Amildar may, with the sanction of the Deputy Commissioner by record in writing, suspend or cancel the license or order the forfeiture of all deposits made by the defaulter and proceed to re-sell or otherwise dispose of the shop at the defaulter's risk (as soon after the last day of the month or quarter as may be possible) with effect from date of issue of license to the new purchaser or from the date of other disposal. No remission or abatement of the rent shall, on any account whatever, be claimable by the licensee.

(2) The licensee shall purchase Ganja and Majum from any Bonded Depot at the rates of Re. 0-13-4 and Re. 0-5-4, respectively, per seer of 80 tolas; and shall pay the price to the Mutsaddi in charge of the Depot.

(3) The rates payable as above, shall be in addition to Excise duty, which shall be prepaid into the Taluk Treasury, or into any other Government Treasury with the permission of the Deputy Commissioner, at Rs. 8-6-8 per seer of Ganja and Re. 0-11-8 per seer of Majum, (including local cess).

(4) The Ganja sold by the licensee, shall be of good quality and unadulterated, and it shall be sold by him at Rs. 10 for a seer of 80 tolas of Ganja or annas 2 per tola of Ganja and of Rs. 1-10-8 for a seer of Majum; and the whole stock of Ganja and Majum on hand shall be kept in the licensed shop and not elsewhere on any pretext whatever, without special permission.

(5) The licensee shall use such scales and weights as may from time to time be prescribed by Government, and provide himself with the printed forms of accounts and permits or passes for transport of Drugs, which forms shall be purchased from local Excise Officers.

(6) The licensee shall be bound to take over any Drugs which may remain as stock in hand belonging to the out-going licensee on the 1st July 1906 in the existing shop, paying to the latter such compensation for the same as may be fixed by the Deputy Commissioner.

(7) The licensee shall be bound by the rules in force, and by such further rules as may be issued from time to time by Government. He shall not during the term of his license, without the written permission of the Excise Commissioner, have any interest direct or indirect in any intoxicating drug shop outside the Mysore State or in the Civil and Military Station.

(8) No female shall be employed in the sale of intoxicating drugs.

(9) The remaining terms and conditions shall be as set forth in the prescribed license.

7. In the case of any breach of the above conditions either by the licensee, or with his connivance and privity, by any person in his employment, or in the event of the licensee neglecting to open his shop or to carry on his business with due care and attention, it shall be competent to the Deputy Commissioner to impose upon the licensee a fine not exceeding Rs. 10 for every such breach or neglect, or at the option of the Deputy Commissioner to declare the money deposited with him forfeited, and to cancel the license and to re-sell or to otherwise dispose of the privilege at the risk of the licensee; and all loss thereby caused, together with the loss accruing to Government in consequence of the licensee not carrying on his business by opening his shop on 1st July 1906, shall be made good by him. When a license is cancelled, the rent for the whole period of the license shall become due at once, which shall be recovered together with all losses as if they were arrears of land revenue.

8. The penalties laid down in the last preceding clause shall not exempt the licensee or his employees from prosecution for any offence committed against the Excise laws or rules in force.

DATES OF SALE.

District	Taluk	Date
		May 1906
Bangalore	Bangalore City and Bangalore Taluk	1 & 2
	Anekal	4
	Hoskote	8
	Devanhalli	10
	Dodballapur	13
	Nelamangala	14
	Magadi	16
	Channapatna	19
	Kankanhalli	21
		May 1906
Kolar	Goribidnur	3
	Bagepalli	7
	Chikballapur	9
	Sidlaghatta	11
	Chintamani	15
	Srinivasapur	17
	Mulbagal	19
	Kolar	21
	Malur	23
	Kolar Gold Fields*	25
	Bowringpet	26
		May 1906
Hassan	Belur	1
	Manjarabad	3
	Arkalgud	7
	Hole-Narsipur	9
	Hassan	11
	Channarayapatna	14
	Arsikere	17
		May 1906
Kadur	Kadur	19
	Tarikere	21
	Yedahalli †	23
	Koppa	25
	Mudgere	28
	Chikmagalur	31

District	Taluk	Date
		May 1906
Tumkur	Kunigal	3
	Tumkur	10
	Gubbi	13
	Tiptur	16
	Chiknayakanhalli	19
	Sira	21
	Maddagiri	25
	Pavagada	28
		April 1906
Mysore	Yedatore	24
	Hunsur	26
	Heggaddevankote	28
	Nanjangud	30
	Gundlupet	May 2
	Chamrajnagar	4
	Yelandur	7
	T.-Narsipur	9
	Malvalli	11
	Mandya	14
	Seringapatam	16
	Krishnarajpete	18
	Nagamangala	21
	Mysore City and Taluk	23
		May 1906
Shimoga	Shimoga	4
	Tirthahalli	8
	Nagar	10
	Sagar	12
	Sorab	14
	Shikarpur	16
	Honnali	18
	Channagiri	21
		May 1906
Chitaldrug	Hosdurga	3
	Holalkere	10
	Davangere	12
	Jagalur	15
	Molakalmuru	17
	Challakere	19
	Hiriyur	22
	Chitaldrug	25

* Gold Fields Magistrate's Court.
† Deputy Amildar's Office.